

Learning Assessment Task Force Meeting Notes

November 5, 2013 3:40 pm – 5:00 p.m. Student Services Center, I4-402

	Julie Barnes, Chair	Ed Helscher	Andrew MacNeill
ATTENDESC	Jill Baker	Madeleine Hinkes	Marichu Magaña
ATTENDEES	Kristan Clark	Angela Liewen	Susan Topham
	Jennifer Cost	Laurie MacKenzie	Bri Hays - Guest

AGENDA ITEM A: October 15, 2013 Meeting Note Approval

COMMENTS	Approved.
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ACTION ITEMS	PERSON(s) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

AGENDA ITEM B: Learning Assessment Facilitator (LAF) Update (Clark)

DISCUSSION	Kris is meeting with the workshop facilitator Lisa Brewster to develop January's workshop. She has rooms for Spring workshops and will get the information out soon. Jill Baker and Kris began looking at a timeline through Fall 2015 (see "Mesa College Learning Assessment Designation and Timeline"). This document also provides general ILO/SLO information. Kris may add information regarding the assessibility of SLOs.
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ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

AGENDA ITEM C: Learning Assessment Coordinator Update (Helscher/All)

Closing the Loop on 2012-2013; Prepping for 2013-2014

Deans, Chairs, and LATF need to encourage folks to come in and receive support to close the loop on 2012-2013 and prepare for (but not input) data for 2013-2014.

December 5th-6th (Thurs/Friday): Ed will be in the computer lab closing out 2012-2013, depending on computer lab availability. This information will be broadly shared to encourage participation. Discussion: Should this time be dedicated to allow every department and service area to come in and close the loop on 2012-2013? Should we have every program/service area send one representative to this hands-on training? Jill will work with Ed on setting these up.

Julie: We will see if a "Close the Hoop with Ed" session would be helpful for Student Services. We want to achieve compliance; we also want to think about meaning, robustness, and pervasiveness. What can we glean from our assessment? How can we use it to inform our practices?

Task Stream 2.0

DISCUSSION

Jill: Task Stream 2.0 is much more efficient and aligns Program Review and SLO Assessment.

Generating Enthusiasm for Learning Assessment

Andy: Should we do a road show of successful assessment models? This could be included in Convocation. Short videos could be developed to demonstrate our work. Julie points out that this work could possibly be accessed through Blackboard Mosaic.

Jennifer: Let's think about what we already do to assist students in becoming meaningfully engaged and growing as people. These are SLOs. Convince faculty that they already do this. It's not being imposed on them; they can take pride in what's being accomplished. We have a Chair and Deans meeting next week if we can get Ed's session information. Jill will work on that.

Laurie: If we could cultivate a climate at Mesa where students are talking about SLOs, faculty would be likely to respond.

e-Portfolios

Ed: We may want to assemble a subcommittee that can get us going with the e-portfolios. They're a resource we're not taking advantage of.

ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

AGENDA ITEM D: Revisiting Our ILOs

Jill and Bri presented an ILO PowerPoint to explain what ILOs are and examine how we and other colleges frame and define our ILOs (see attached).

Jill: Our ILOs are not specific enough; they're not operational. We will be working with our existing ILOs to make them more specific and measurable. We'd like these to be updated with the launch of Task Stream 2.0 in the Spring.

DISCUSSION

Julie/Madeleine: There has been discussion about adding civility and creativity ILOs.

Angela/Jill: We need a retreat to look at these with full and broad representation – students, Instruction, Student Services, Admin Services, Classified, Academic Affairs members, etc. We could begin by asking folks to complete a homework packet. We could develop a retreat with 20-25 people as a springboard event.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON(s) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Develop Retreat	Committee	December

AGENDA ITEM E: New ACCJC Rubric and Mesa's SLOs

DISCUSSION	Time did not permit.
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ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

AGENDA ITEM F: Roundtable

COMMENTS	Time did not permit.
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ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 19, 2013, 3:40 pm – 5 pm, I4-402 2013-2014 Calendar: 1st/3rd Tuesdays, 3:40-5, I4-402